

PROPOSAL EVALUATION
IRWM Grant Program – Planning Grant, Round 1, FY 2010-2011

Applicant	Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD)	County	Alpine, Tuolumne, Calaveras
Project Title	Tuolumne - Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Grant	Grant Request	\$636,380
		Total Project Cost	\$1,034,192

Project Description The Tuolumne-Stanislaus (T-S) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Region is proposing to develop a T-S IRWM Plan. The preparation of the T-S IRWM Plan is intended to further define issues/conflicts such as water quality impacts from septic systems, cattle grazing, and other sources; water supply and water quality impacts from urbanized areas drainage; local resource impacts due to water leaving the watershed; water supply impacts caused by use planning/growth; water use efficiency to comply with recent legislation; and aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems impacts.

Evaluation Summary

Scoring Criterion	Score
Work Plan	15
DAC Involvement	10
Schedule	8
Budget	10
Program Preferences	8
Geographic Balance	0
<i>Total Score</i>	<i>51</i>

- **Work Plan** The work plan is well thought out and clearly leads to the creation of a standard compliant IRWM Plan, according to the latest Guidelines. The proposal is supported and well presented with sufficient documentation and logical rationale. The tasks propose appropriate submittal dates and the work items are well defined.
- **DAC Involvement** The application describes the process the applicant will use to facilitate and support DACs within the region. The work plan clearly sets forth a plan to contact DACs, notify DACs regarding meetings, and address water management problems that impact DACs. Applicant has identified DACs within the region and indicates that the entire region is considered a DAC. During the planning process for the IRWM's Region Acceptance Process, the planning group notes that they provided steps to ensure inclusion of DAC needs and interests.
- **Schedule** Schedule is consistent, reasonable, and well explained. Adequate time is scheduled for specific tasks listed. The schedule is quite detailed, matches the work plan and budget very well and work items seem all reasonable. However, the review time for the draft IRWM Plan appears too short and could compromise the submittal of deliverables.
- **Budget** Budget is detailed, reasonable, and in accordance with schedule and work plan. A summary of each task and detailed costs is provided.
- **Program Preference** The proposal describes how the region has and will continue to address each of the Program Preferences. The work plan Appendix E shows current projects and reports that relate to the Program Preferences. The application claimed 14 Program Preferences. There is a high level of certainty that the proposed plan will address eight of the 14 claimed Program Preferences. They are: regional projects/programs, effectively resolve water conflicts within or between regions, address critical water supply/quality needs of DACs, climate change response actions, expand environmental stewardship, protect surface water and ground water quality, improve tribal water and natural resources and ensure equitable distribution of benefits.
- **Geographic Balance** Not Applicable